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In re U.S. Patent Application of)
TAMIYA et al.)
Application Number: To Be Assigned)
Filed: Concurrently Herewith)
For: ABSORBANCE READING APPARATUS, ABSORBANCE)
READING APPARATUS CONTROL METHOD, AND)
ABSORBANCE CALCULATION)
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. HIRA.0205)

Honorable Assistant Commissioner
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Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants have amended the claims in order to eliminate the multiple dependent claims in accordance with standard U.S. practice. Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows: